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ITEM 1145 - CONTAINERS FOR STORAGE OR TRANSPORTATION

OF LIQUEFIED GASES

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Present: Belgium(Luxembourg), France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States.

References: COCOM Docs. Nos. 3700.2 and 5, 3711.00/1, 3711.45/1 and 2 and W.P. 1145/1 and 2.

1. The UNITED KINGDOM Delegation referred to the United States proposal for part (a) as set out in paragraph 1 of COCOM Doc. No. 3711.45/2. They proposed that the temperature loss cut-off of 10% suggested therein be changed to 3%. In the United Kingdom, ordinary thermally-insulated trucks had a rate of loss of between 4% and 7% per day, and that of the more sophisticated form of container was under 1% per day. The figure of 3% therefore seemed to be adequate.
2. The UNITED STATES Delegation confirmed the proposal which they had previously made on an ad referendum basis. They could not agree to the cut-off figure suggested by the United Kingdom Delegation, but in an endeavour to meet the views expressed, they would be ready to reduce their own figure to 5%.
3. The UNITED KINGDOM Delegation, in agreeing to this latter suggestion, trusted that the Committee would look sympathetically at any accident-of-definition cases submitted.
4. All Delegations accepted the United States proposal recorded in paragraph 1 of COCOM Doc. No. 3711.45/2, with an average evaporation loss figure of 5%.

CONCLUSION The COMMITTEE agreed to redefine Item 1145 as follows:

- "Containers, jacketed only, for the storage or transportation of liquefied gases, including mobile units as follows:
- (a) of 500 gallons capacity or over, designed for liquid nitrogen, oxygen, hydrogen, ozone, helium, argon and fluorine, except 2-shell containers rated for an average evaporation loss of over 5% per 24-hour period; such loss is to be calculated as a percentage of the total liquid capacity of the container under ambient temperature conditions of +75°F (+24°C.) or higher and without exposure to direct sunlight;
 - (b) of 250 gallons up to 500 gallons designed for the handling of liquid fluorine."

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